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Taste of Home throughout the Korean Peninsula

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CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Warriors kicked off the long weekend with a Turkey Bowl football game between enlisted Soldiers and officers, but the highlight was enjoying a delicious home-cooked meal, with all the traditional Thanksgiving fixings.

The 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division gathered at dining facilities throughout the Korean Peninsula to celebrate Thanksgiving Nov. 22.

“It’s great to have a meal with my team, especially since our families are so far away,” said Staff Sgt. April E. Pehoski, Brooklyn, New York native and geospatial engineer, 2ID/RUCD. “The staff at Tomahawk DFAC went all out to ensure we had a great Thanksgiving meal as close to ‘mom’s’ dinner as possible.”

Since the official opening of Freeman Hall Nov. 20, Tomahawk Dining Facility feeds the more than 1,300 newly relocated Soldiers from both 3rd Armored Brigade Combat Team, 1st Armored Division out of Fort Bliss, Texas and 2ID/RUCD.

“A lot of teamwork and preparation went into creating the holiday meal because we know Soldiers miss their home, so we wanted to provide a taste of that,” said Sgt. 1st Class Michael A. Johnson, a native of Philadelphia, and Tomahawk Dining Facility manager, 3rd ABCT, 1st AD. “We aspire to provide a welcoming environment, a home away from home, to combat homesickness.”

Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, commanding general, 2ID/RUCD and Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, 2ID/RUCD sergeant major traveled around the Republic of Korea, ensuring they served meals to as many Warriors as possible, a long-standing military tradition on the holidays where

leaders serve their Soldiers to demonstrate appreciation for their hard work and dedication.

“Soldiers, civilians, families and friends of the Warrior Division: Kim and I, along with DCSM Barretto and Marlene wish you a safe and Happy Thanksgiving,” said McKean. “As we reflect on all the reasons we are grateful, CSM and I are especially thankful to have you on the 2ID/RUCD team. We appreciate all you do each day. It’s your hard work, dedication, and professionalism that makes the Warrior Division truly Second to None!”

For more imagery of the Warrior Division’s Thanksgiving celebration, please visit <https://www.flickr.com/photos/2id/albums/72157702357318171>



CAMP BONIFAS, Republic of Korea - Maj. Gen. D. Scott McKean, San Jose, California native, commanding general, 2ID/RUCD and Command Sgt. Maj. Phil K. Barretto, Aiea, Hawaii native, 2ID/RUCD sergeant major serve Thanksgiving meals to Soldiers who are stationed away from home at Bonifas Dining Facility Nov. 22. The command team traveled around the Republic of Korea, ensuring they served meals to as many Warriors as possible, a long-standing military tradition on the holidays where leaders serve their Soldiers to demonstrate appreciation for their hard work and dedication. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Pak, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



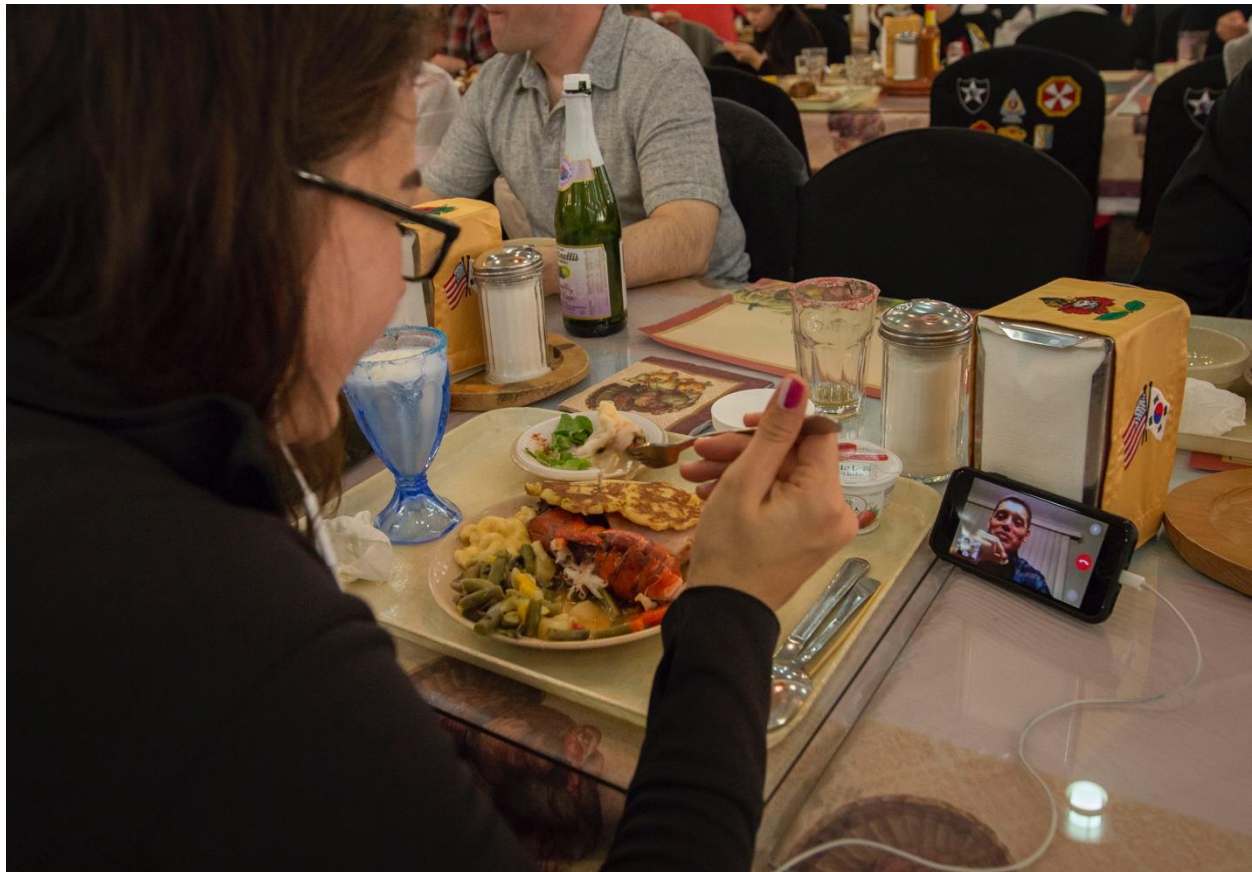
CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Soldiers assigned to 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division participate in the 2018 Turkey Bowl at Zoekler Football Field Nov. 21 to encourage team building and esprit de corps. The officers versus enlisted Soldiers flag football game was the official start of the Warrior Thanksgiving weekend. (U.S. Army photo by Mr. Park, Chin U., 2ID/RUCD Public Affairs)



CAMP CASEY, Republic of Korea – Brig. Gen. Kim, Yong Chul, deputy commanding general for ROK, 2nd Infantry Division/ROK-U.S. Combined Division serves traditional Thanksgiving dishes to Soldiers at Casey Main Dining Facility Nov. 22 to demonstrate appreciation for their hard work and dedication. (U.S. Army photo by KATUSA Cpl. Lee, Keon, 210th FAB Public Affairs)



CAMP CARROLL, Republic of Korea - The Champion Cafe displays a unique, football-themed ice sculpture for their Thanksgiving meal to give Soldiers a taste of home, build morale and esprit de corps Nov. 22. Each dining facility created a unique display to create a welcoming, festive environment. (U.S. Army photo by KATUSA Sgt. Yoo, E. Chan, 2IDSBDE Public Affairs)



CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – A U.S. Army Soldier assigned to 2nd Infantry Division 2nd Sustainment Brigade shares a long-distance meal with her significant other at Provider Grill Nov. 22. Video chat is one of the many ways Soldiers stay connected with loved ones during the holidays while stationed overseas. (U.S. Army photo by Spc. Adeline Witherspoon, 2IDSBDE Public Affairs)



CAMP HUMPHREYS, Republic of Korea – Spc. Kayla Zapata, a native of Wickes Arkansas and Spc. Melissa Torres, a Houston native, both culinary specialist, 2nd Combat Aviation Brigade take a brief recess after setting up the Egyptian-themed design in Talon Café. Zapata and Torres worked diligently for two days to help create a unique atmosphere for Soldiers to enjoy during the Thanksgiving feast Nov. 22. (U.S. Army photo by Sgt. Courtney Davis, 2CAB Public Affairs)